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Cujuſvis eſt hominis errare; nullius, niſi inſipientis, perſeverare in errore. CICERO in Philipp.

SIR,

THO I had little thought of becoming a correſpondent to your *Journal*, yet, when I am attack'd with decency, I look upon it as much a juſtice to the world to retract any error I committ, as it is a juſtice to myſelf, to defend againſt an ungrounded accuſation. Whenever idle ſcurrilities are thrown at me, I ſhall take the liberty of paſſing them over in ſilence: but as your Paper is the vehicle for all reflections levell'd at me, I muſt expect, from your profeſs'd impartiality, it will be equally vacant to my juſtification of myſelf.

I am convicted, in your 229th *Journal*, by a correſpondent, who ſigns himſelf N. A. of having miſunderſtood the meaning of an old *inſcription* on the pedeſtal of a ſtatue. Whatever opinion this learned gentleman may tacitly have of me, (for complaiſance is ſometimes to be ſuſpected;) yet as upon the face of his letter he appears a generous antagoniſt, I do myſelf the honour to enter the liſts, and thank him for the genteel rebuke. The little common ſenſe, I am maſter of, teaches me to beleive ſo wiſe a man as CICERO, in the paſſage I have above quoted, that *Every man is liable to commit a miſtake, none but an errant idiot to perſiſt in one.* As to the charge, therefore, in the main, I freely plead guilty; but think I ſhall be able to mitigate the nature of it; and then will preſume to give your correſpondent ſome informations about this very *inſcription* in debate, of which he yet ſeems to have had no notice.

That the corrections, which Sir GEORGE WHELER's inaccurate copying of the *inſcription* betray'd me into, are groundleſs, muſt be confeſs'd: and that monſieur SPON has given us a more correct tranſcript of it, is as certain. But, as they were fellow-travellers, as they were both at Chalcedon, and copied the *inſcription* on the ſpot; as, on their coming home, they both publiſh'd ſome account of their travels, monſieur SPON firſt, and Sir GEORGE the year after; was there a ſhadow for ſuſpicion, that Sir GEORGE ſhould give us the reading of the marble, they had both view'd and copied, more incorrect than his friend had firſt publiſh'd it? My not, therefore, looking into SPON, upon this article, with ſubmiſſion may not be ſo inexcuſable. The only motive, for the corrections I attempted, was, that the *inſcription* manifeſtly demanded hexameter and pentameter verſes; and Sir GEORGE, in his tranſcript, as manifeſtly had deprav'd all metre. I was not, therefore, taking liberties with the marble, but with the inaccuracy of Sir GEORGE, his amanuenſis, or printer: for, that manuſcripts, or printed copies, may be depraved, tho marble inſcriptions cannot be interpolated, will be agreed on all hands.

But I am, again, accus'd, that I had not conſulted Dr. CHISHULL, who, *by comparing* WHELER *and* SPON's *two readings together, has*, your correſpondent will *venture to ſay, reſtor'd the true one.* But how does this appear? He quotes Mr. CHISHULL's *reading* of the *inſcription* from his book, as well as his verſion of it; and neither of them, *I'll venture to ſay* in my turn, are the *true* ones: ſo that I am not the only miſtaken perſon, upon the ſubject.

The truth of the fact is this. Mr. CHISHULL publiſh'd his *Antiquitates Aſiaticæ* in the year 1728; of which but a ſmall number of copies was printed off, ſo that the book is but in a few hands; and as its ſubject chiefly concerns the antiquaries, I freely confeſs, it had not a place in my narrow collection: nor had I ever heard, till too late, that he had retouch'd this *inſcription*, after SPON and WHELER. Your correſpondent, 'tis obvious, has conſulted this book, and copied the inſcription from it; which, however, as I ſaid before, is yet not *the true one.* I beg leave, therefore, to tell your correſpondent a piece of news, which he ought to have known, as much as I ſhould have known of Mr. CHISHULL's firſt conjectures on this *inſcription.*

That learned antiquary, on the 29th of September 1731, gave us two pages in folio, by way of *Appendix* to what he had before gueſs'd on this marble; (which pages are to be had at Mr. BOWYER's printing-houſe, by any gentleman who is poſſeſs'd of Mr. CHISHULL's book;) in which he has retracted ſome part of his former conjectures; and in which he exhibits the *inſcription*, and verſion of it, in this manner.

Οὔριον ἐκ πρύμνης τις ἀλιγκίῃσα καλεῖτω
Ζῆνα, καλὰ προσόωντα ἰσίον ἱκεταίσας.
Εἴτ' ἐπὶ Κυανέας δίνας δρόμος, ἔνθα Ποσειδὼν
Καμπύλον εἰλίσσει κῦμα παρὰ ψαμάθοις,
Εἴτε μετ' Αἰγάιην πόντου πλάκα νόστον ἐρευνᾷ,
Νείσθω, τῷδε βαλὼν φαιστὰ παρὰ ξοάνῳ.
Ὧδε τὸν εὐάντιστον ἀεὶ θεὸν, Ἀντιπάτρου παῖς,
Στῆσε φίλων, ἀγαθῆς σύμβολον εὐπλοίης.

Urion *expanſis jàm promptus navita velis*
Ductorem, ex altâ puppe, vocato Jovem.
Sive ad Cyaneas *ſit iter, quà miſtus arenis*
Neptunus *tumidam vortice curvat aquam;*
Seu reditum Ægæi *veſtigat in æquora Ponti;*
Eja, eat, huic ſtatuæ reddere liba memor.
Hocce Philo, Antipatri *proles, optabile numen*
Hîc poſuit, fauſtæ ſymbolon *eſſe viæ.*

This your ingenious correſpondent muſt not profeſs to have known; for if he did, would he publiſh a reading that Mr. CHISHULL himſelf has retracted? And if he did not, neither could he know, that this fine monument was in the year 1731 brought over to Mr. CHISHULL by Dr. MACKENZIE, and the rev. Mr. PAYNE; and that it now is repoſited in the Muſeum of the very excellent, and juſtly celebrated, Dr. MEAD; where I have had the happineſs, by his favour, to ſee and collate the marble; the moſt venerable piece of antiquity that we can boaſt of, at leaſt, in Europe; being 60 years, and more, older than the *Arundelian* chronicle-marbles.

Your correſpondent and I having been both miſtaken in our ſetting out, it will be ſufficient to add now, (upon an affair that ſo little concerns the publick,) that this was an *inſcription* upon the pedeſtal of an antique ſtatue of JUPITER URIUS, ſet up at CHALCEDON on the margin of the Thracian Boſphorus; inviting all paſſengers to make their offerings for a proſperous wind; whether their courſe lay towards the Cyanean iſles, and thro' the Euxine; or whether they were to return by the Helleſpont and Ægaean ſea.

CICERO has mentiond three ſtatues, and, perhaps, there might have been four, as Mr. CHISHULL ſuſpects, fam'd for their workmanſhip, erected to this deity, as the giver of a proſperous voyage: one at Præneſte, one at Syracuſe, one of Macedonia, and one at Chalcedon in the Thracian Boſphorus. The laſt of theſe ſtatues, as appears by the *inſcription*, was made by PHILO, who is rank'd by PLINY among the celebrated ſtatuaries: and is the ſame, probably, mentioned by TATIAN for his fine ſtatue of HEPHAESTION: which, if ſo, the monument in debate muſt be as old as the time of ALEXANDER the Great: ſo that, as your ingenious correſpondent obſerves, my firſt ſuſpicion of PHILO's *Chriſtianity was chimerical*; and, to be free with myſelf, ridiculous.

I could, were it to the purpoſe, produce unexceptionable teſtimonies, that, ſeveral months ago, I was aware of the miſtake I had run into; and, as I expected to be ſtruck at, deſign'd to have publiſh'd a Diſſertation on JUPITER URIUS, and there to have ſet this matter right: but as I am prepar'd to put out an edition of SHAKESPEARE's *Poems*, with a copious *Gloſſary* to all his Works, in my *Preface* to that volume I purpoſe to be more ample on this ſubject.

I have but a word, Sir, more to add to you, in reply to Mr. BAVIUS, whoſe ſpleen to me will not permit him to be thoroughly ingenuous. He is pleas'd to ſay, that my *ſubſtitution of* ὄμμα *in the room of* σῶμα, in the paſſage of PLATONIUS, *has been plainly proved in* your 220th *Journal, to be a diſtortion or perverſion of the ſenſe.* But if you think fit to give this epiſtle a place, it ſhall be follow'd by another, in which it ſhall be *more plainly prov'd*, that your anonymous correſpondent, and not I, has *diſtorted the ſenſe.* If you are not diſpos'd to do me this right, I ſhall find means to juſtify myſelf by ſome other canal. I am, in either caſe, Sir,

your humble ſervant,

Wyan's Court, 29 May, 1734. LEW. THEOBALD.

I Could not but wonder, that, after ſo long a publication of our *Journal*, this new and learned correſpondent ſhould miſtake in the Addreſs of the preceding letter, directing it *To the Author of the Grub-ſtreet Journal*, as it this Paper were written by any one particular author. And I am apt to ſuſpect, that Mr. THEOBALD deſigned it as a ſlight towards me, by way of revenge, for my ſuppoſed *ſpleen* to him, of which he unjuſtly complains. It is true, that this *Paper has been the vehicle for* ſeveral, tho' not *all reflections levell'd at him*, and that becauſe it was really thought, that he deſerved them: and if no anſwer has appeared in it to any of them, it has been becauſe no ſuch anſwer, before this, ever came to my hands. I do aſſure this Gentleman, that as I never hitherto harboured any particular *ſpleen* againſt him; ſo, if his future letters ſhall be as *ingenuous* as this (in which he ſeems plainly to contend for truth, more than victory) he will find no reaſon to complain, that I am not *thoroughly ingenuous.*

In this new copy of the *inſcription* there are only three variations from that exhibited in our 229th *Journal*, and all of them in the 5th verſe: Εἴτε for εἶτα, Αἰγαίην for Αἰγαίαν, and ἐρευνᾷ for ἐρέυναν. The ſecond is of little conſequence; but by the firſt and the laſt there is a conſiderable alteration made in the ſenſe, for the better. According to which I think myſelf obliged to alter and correct my verſion, ſo as to render it intirely conformable thereto.

Let him, whoſe cords have ſtretch'd the canvas wide,
Call from the ſtern on URIAN JOVE his guide:
Whether his courſe Cyanean gulphs would brave,
Where NEPTUNE rolls 'twixt ſands the curling wave;
Or tow'rd th' Ægean back explore the way;
Due cakes let him before this ſtatue lay.
Here, omen ſure that ſeas may ſafe be paſs'd,
PHILO, this God propitious ſtill, has plac'd.

Having cauſed Mr. THEOBALD's *letter* to be printed according to his copy, with the moſt ſcrupulous exactneſs, I think it neceſſary to take notice of ſome particulars in it, which I think I have reaſon to ſuſpect, or which I am almoſt certain muſt be wrong. I can ſee no occaſion for his way of writeing *nullius, foliò, jàm*, &c. and tho' *Boſphorus*, which he uſes twice, may be found in ſome books of geography, &c. yet I am perſuaded it is erroneous; the true word being *Boſporus*, compounded of Βοῦς and πόρος *trajectus*. My learned brother N. BAILEY Φιλόλογος, following I ſuppoſe HARRIS's *Lexicon Technicum*, without taking the leaſt Notice of BOSPORUS, has inſerted only BOSPHORUS in his *Dictionarium Britannicum*, 'BÓSPHORUS [Βόσφορος 'of Βοῦς an ox, and πορεία a paſſage, *q. d.* a paſſage 'paſſable by oxen, or of φέρω to bear, from the poeti-'cal fable that INO being transformed into a cow, paſſed 'this ſtrait.]' In which place there ſeems to be ſeveral miſtakes. Suppoſing there was ſuch a Greek word as Βόσφορος, it could not be compounded of Βοῦς and πορεία: but in my Lexicons I can not find either Βόσφορος, or πορεία in the ſignification of a *paſſage*. And as for the *poetical fable* concerning INO, it is very different from that relating to Io, who was the Perſon *tranſformed into a cow*, and from whoſe paſſage croſs *this ſtrait* it received the name of *Boſporus*. As the miſtakes of Critics and Lexicographers are attended with very ill conſequences, by leading others into the ſame, who conſult them in caſes of difficulty relating to orthography; I hope, that both Mr. THEOBALD and Mr. BAILEY will excuſe me for what I have ſayed on this occaſion. I beg leave to conclude with ſix verſes of *Dionyſius*, which in ſeveral reſpects will illuſtrate the ſubject treated of above. *Periegeſis*, v. 140, &c.

Τῇ δ' ἔπι, Θρηικίου στόμα Βοσπόρου, ὃν πάρος Ἰὼ
Ἥρης ἐννεσίῃσιν ἐνήξατο πόρτις ἰοῦσα.
Στεινότατος δὴ κεῖνος ἁπάντων ἔπλετο πορθμὸς
Τῶν ἄλλων, ὅσ' τ' εἰσὶ πολυκλύσοιο θαλάσσης.
Κυανέας ὅθι μῦθος ἀναιδείας εἶν ἁλὶ πέτρας
Πλαζομένας, καναχηδὸν ἐπ' ἀλλήλῃσι φέεσθαι.

To this the Thracian Boſporus is join'd,
Croſs which in heifer's form once Jo ſwam,
By JUNO's rage impell'd: the narroweſt ſtrait
Of all that twixt two ſpacious oceans flow.
Near this, 'tis ſay'd, the dire Cyanean rocks,
Shameleſs ſtill wand'ring in the raging deep,
With horrid noiſe againſt each other daſh.

BAVIUS.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

C. *Daily Courant.*
P. *Daily Post-Boy.*
D P. *Daily Post.*
D J. *Daily Journal.*
DA. *Daily Advertiser.*
S J. *St. James's Evening Post.*
L E. *London Evening Post.*
G E. *General Evening Post.*

THURSDAY, *May* 30. We hear that his majesty has declared his royal intention of visiting his German dominions, this summer. *C.* —— Her royal highness the princess of Orange is expected at Kensington June 21st. His highness, having made a campaign, will come to fetch the princess in October. *LE. GE.* —— This being the birth-day of their royal highnesses the princess Emilia and Caroline, when the former enters into her 24th, and the latter into her 22d year, their majesties will receive, &c. *DP.* —— The princess Amelia will receive the compliments of the nobility, &c. now at Bath. *DJ.* —— *Fulfilled:* Yesterday being the anniversary, &c. *C.*

Yesterday being the anniversary of the restoration of K. Charles II. the same was observ'd with publick demonstrations of joy. *C.* —— All possible demonstrations. *P.* —— With the usual rejoycings. *DP. DA.*

Upon the victory gained in Yorkshire by Sir Miles Stapylton, no dissatisfactions appear'd but in the faces of the Minster Divines, who, to a man, voted conscientiously for *Wynn* and *Turner*, after they were headed up in solemn procession by the dean of York, and parson Bowman, a zealous advocate for liberty and episcopacy, and an holy son of the church. *LE.*

Last tuesday after morning prayer, a full chapter was held at the Chapter-house in St. Paul's Church-yard, for electing their procurator in convocation; and the rev. Dr. Sam. Baker, one of the canon residentiaries of the said Cathedral, was unanimously chosen. *SJ. GE.*

Married on tuesday —— Hurst of Kent, Esq; to Miss Knatchbull, daughter of the late Sir Edward. *SJ. GE. LE.*

Died on the 20th at Shafton in Dorsetshire, Sir Geo. Carpenter. *LE.*

FRIDAY, *May* 31. Last night Sir Rob. Walpole came to town from his seat in Norfolk. *P. DJ. DA.*

On wednesday a dispensation, or special license, pass'd the seals to impower Sir Will. Wyndham, Bart. and the right hon. the Marchioness Dowager of Blandford, to solemnize matrimony when and where they pleas'd; and we hear that the same was perform'd yesterday at the Marchioness's house in Grosvenor-square. *DP.* —— They were married on saturday. *LE. June* 4.

Dover, May 29. Sir Henry Furnese, Bart. embarked yesterday for Calais, on his travels for three years. Sir Francis Head, Bart. went away about the same time to take a tour into France; and the same day Mr. Ald. Parsons's fine horses went away for Calais. *P.*

The right hon. the lord chancellor has been pleased to present the rev. Mr. John East, M. A. to the vicarage of Ludlow, in the county of Shropshire, in the room of the rev. Mr. George Unyon, deceas'd. *DA.* —— 1. The lord chancellor *has not the presentation.* 2. Ludlow *is not a* vicarage, *but a* rectory, *of which the present* rector, Mr. Fenton, *is in good health.* 3. The county of Shropshire *is put by a figure for* the county of Salop. 4. *The person meant by* Mr. George Unyon, *was* Mr. Anthony Seymour Oniant, *late* vicar of Stokesay.

Last week the university of Oxford were pleased to confer the degree of Dr. of Divinity upon the rev. Mr. Brooks, chaplain to the right hon. the earl of Holderness. *DA.*

Married yesterday, his grace the duke of Portland to the lady Margaret Harley. *DA. SJ— GE. June* 1.— Is to be married next thursday. *DP. May* 31. *LE. June* 1. ——It is put off for 3 weeks. *DJ. June* 5.

Died on wednesday the rev. Dr. Holland, warden of Merton college in Oxford. *DJ.* —— At Worcester, one of the prebendaries of that cathedral, and chaplain in ordinary to his majesty. *DP.*

SATURDAY, *June* 1. The rev. Dr. Alured Clarke, is made deputy clerk of the closet to his majesty. *DJ.*

Yesterday an account came from Holland, that Denier, *alias* Le Bane, the Frenchman who was cook to the late Mr. Cantillon, was taken at the Hague; and that he had given a fisherman 8 guineas that carried him from Harwich. *P.* —— There is a current report that this is so. *DJ. DA.* —— The coroner's inquest have adjourn'd the further consideration of the affair of Mr. Cantillon for a fortnight. *DP. DJ.*

On thursday morning came on a tryal in the Court of Common Pleas, Westminster, wherein Mr. Fisher, innkeeper at Rumford was plaintiff, and the widow Harmon, dealer in meal and flour defendant, for taking away a horse from the plaintiff, as hers, alledging, that it had been stolen from her about 3 years ago. The witnesses on both sides swore positively to the horse: upon which he was brought into the record room, where the jury viewed the several marks, after which being shut up for about 2 hours, they brought in the verdict for the plaintiff with 11*l.* 11*s.* costs. 'Tis reported that this tryal cost upwards of 200 *l. DJ.* —— *This seems to have been* a law-suit *about a* horse, *between* asses.

On sunday last between 9 and 10 in the evening a barbarous murder was committed, at a little ale-house by a Common, in the parish of Ditchelling near Lewes in Sussex, by a fellow well dress'd, and with a good horse, who had lodged two nights there: he went out with the man of the house, whose name was Richard Miles, into the stable; and while he was doing something to the fellow's horse, he came slyly behind him, and with a pocket-knife cut his throat almost through the wind-pipe; then he went into the house, and meets the maid at the bottom of the chamber stairs, and cut her throat in two places from ear to ear, and gave her a deep stab in the breast, notwithstanding she got out of the house, and ran down a field; but getting over a stile, was suppos'd to fall into a ditch, where she was found dead of her wounds: then he went up stairs to the man's wife, who was sick a bed, and cut her throat from ear to ear, into the very bone through her windpipe, who was also found dead on the floor in the chamber lying in her gore, but the man who was first wounded, notwithstanding his loss of blood, got to a neighbour's house, and rais'd the family, who came in so hastily upon the murderer, that he took his horse and made off, without taking any thing but the man's pocket-money, which was about 40 or 50 s. The man's wounds were sew'd up, but his life is very much doubted of. The account he gives of the man is, that he is a smuggler, and has been at his house several times before; but he knows not any other name he has but James. He has his own dark hair, and it was a grey horse on which he made his escape. *DP.* —— We hear the rogue is since taken, and being brought before the poor man (who is since dead) he declared him to be the murderer; upon which he is committed to Horsham-goal. *LE.*

Mr. Cantillon's widow arrived here last night from Paris. *DA.* —— Yesterday the refiners, &c. finished their search into the ashes of the late Mr. Cantillon's house, when no plate, money, or jewels had been found; an undeniable circumstance of a robbery previous to the burning of the house. *S J. L E.*

There are 40 men at work in repairing Windsor castle. *L E.*

Died on thursday John Savage, Esq; late one of the directors of the east-india company, reputed worth upwards of 20,000 *l. L E. G E.*

The gentlemen, &c. of Kent, who had a meeting on thursday at Maidstone, to nominate a candidate in the room of the late lord Vane, resolv'd to set up Sir Christopher Powell, of Wyerton, Bar. *DA*

They write from Deal, that the fleet now lying in the Downs, made one of the finest sights on wednesday last that ever was seen, by the many flags, &c. which were hung out on occasion of the holiday. In the morning at hoisting the colours, the three admirals let fly their ancients, jacks, pennants, &c. all at once, and were immediately followed by the whole fleet, which had an exceeding beautiful effect, resembling at a distance a cluster of rainbows. *DA.* —— Rainbows *are a sign of* fair weather.

MONDAY, *June* 3. Yesterday the right hon. the lord Forbes, arrived here from Petersbourg: her Czarian majesty was pleased to present his lordship with her picture set with Diamonds, worth 8000 rubles. *DP.* —— One of the royal yatchts is order'd to be got ready, to bring over the duke and dutchess of Kingston from France. —*DP.*

On monday the lord chief justice Hardwick delivered the opinion of the 11 Judges, on the case of the arrest of Col. ——, who after several meetings and consultations unanimously agreed, That the Col. was entitled to a reasonable time of privilege to return home after being dismissed from the publick service as a member of parliament, and that he was arrested within that reasonable time, and therefore must be discharged in a legal way; and they were of opinion, a writ of privilege under the broad seal was the proper method; and to enable the Colonel to bring such writ, they were pleased to order all proceedings to stay till the first day of next term, by which time we hear the Colonel will sue out his writ of privilege, and plead the same in the several courts, from which the process against him issued. *DJ.* —— *Why should not the* privilege *of a* quondam senator *continue during life?*

On saturday the sessions ended at the Old Baily, when 5 persons received sentence of death: Tho. Taverner, *alias* Cotton for a robbery on the high-way; Joseph Hart, for breaking open an escrutore, and stealing 27 *l.* 14 *s.* &c. Samuel Walker, for stealing 50 guineas, and several promissory notes, [to the amount of 981 *l.* 14 *s.* 7 *d. P.*] Will. Ray, for the Murder of his wife; and Roger Bow the waterman, for the murder of Tho. Field in Hungerford market, [by cutting his guts out *P.*] *C.* &c.— 5 were burnt in the hand, and 22 cast for transportation. *C. DP.* —— 4 burnt, about 20 ordered for transportation. *P.* —— 16 cast for transportation. *DJ.*

Yesterday morning about 5, Mr. Clark, a grocer in Grosvenor street, going into Hyde-Park to take the air, was robb'd by 4 foot-pads of his watch and money. *DA.*

Yesterday about twelve o'clock, one Perkins, a journeyman Gardener in Blackman-street Southwark, having some words with his wife, drew out his knife, used in the gardens, and stabbed her in the groin, of which wound she instantly died. Whereupon he was apprehended and committed to the new Jail. When before the Justice, he was asked how he came to be guilty of such a horrid crime, having, as may properly be said, murdered two, his deceased wife being big with child; he said she provoked him, and that he would rather be hanged than live with such a woman. *P.* —— The child was taken out of her at its full growth. *P. June* 4.

TUESDAY, *June* 4. Charles Lisle Esq; was a few days since appointed a clerk in the Office of ordnance. *P.* —— On Wednesday Mr. John Jesse was appointed first clerk to the post-master general, and under secretary to the post-office, in the room of Mr. Cha. Peal; a place reputed worth about 200 *l.* per ann. *DP.*

We hear that on the election day for the County of Kent, the turnpike between Dartford and Gravesend was shut, and not opened, till Sir John Shaw of Eltham promis'd to pay for 500 men: whether this is according to the act of parliament for establishing this turnpike, may be worth enquiring; if not, by whose direction this impost was laid. *DP.*

Dover, June 1. We hear there is to be an exercise of the fleet in the Downs, in imitation of a sea fight this week, to instruct the sailors. *P.*

WEDNESDAY, *June* 5. Yesterday the right hon. the earl of Salisbury, lately arrived from France, waited on their Majesties at Richmond. *C.* —— This day will wait on their Majesties, &c. *DJ.*

On saturday an experiment was tried at the *Buffalo*'s head tavern in Bloomsbury, in the presence of Sir Hans Sloan, &c. in order to discover what effects the bite of a viper would have on a human body, when a person suffered himself to be bit twice in the arm, and in three quarters of an hour the poison had so great an effect upon him, it was thought he would have died; but by proper prescriptions of the gentlemen present, he recovered, and is like to do very well. *C.*

Died on monday in Grosvenor-square the right hon. the lord Tufton in his 9th year. *DP. DA.*

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-street.*

THE letter signed ATTICUS in our 230th *Journal*, has given so great offence to the author of the *Critical review of the publick buildings*, &c. that, not content with writing something by way of answer to it, he has thought fit to introduce his answer with an historical account of our *Journal*. We shall leave to Mr. ATTICUS, who is altogether unknown to us, the defence of his own letter, if he thinks there is occasion for any; and shall endeavour to take off the force of some of those severe things this eminent author has sayed against us in his introduction. We did not really know, that this gentleman's works were so much admired; otherwise it is probable we should have payed him some tokens of our respects before: but since he has let us into a secret which he intends should be divulged, we shall by our future conduct endeavour to make amends for our past neglect.

He gives this glorious testimony concerning his own writeings: 'The publick in general have been so good 'as to receive my labours in the most indulgent man-'ner. They have found admittance into the studies 'of the most knowing, and have entertained those '[studies] of the highest rank: they have been made 'the conversation of the politest companies, have been 'sometimes prais'd, seldom censur'd, and always acquit-'ted with honour. This very pamphlet has been father'd 'on some of the noblest and most eminent names in the 'kingdom. This Essay has met with sincere and univer-'sal approbation.' —— By this account it appears, that this gentleman's *labours* have been as successful as those of Mr. ORATOR and Mr. BUDGELL; who have frequently delivered their own encomiums in the like strain. And therefore since we may possibly receive some prejudice among the *most knowing*, the *politest*, the *highest*, and the *noblest* persons, from the short history of our Paper given by so considerable a writer, if it should pass uncontradicted by us; we beg their patience, while we display the truth, the reasoning, and the English of this faithful, ingenious and learned Historian.

'The *Grub-street Journal* is a Paper that ow'd [not 'its *success* but] its whole prospect of success and reputa-'tion, at its first OUT-SET, to an opinion, that was art-'fully circulated thro' the Town, that Mr. POPE and

'Dr. ARBUTHNOT were concerned in it as authors.' —— The utmoſt that ever was imagined, was that thoſe gentlemen wrote now and then a ſhort piece, which appeared in this *Journal*; not that they were *concerned as* conſtant *authors in it*. If by *artfully circulated* it is deſigned to inſinuate, that there was no foundation at all for ſuch an *opinion*, what grounds has he for that inſinuation? Is he certain, that neither of thoſe perſons ever wrote any thing in this Paper at *its firſt out-ſet?* If he will believe his brother BUDGELL, one of thoſe gentlemen has been concerned in it even *at its laſt out-ſet*.—An opinion concerning a wrong author of a work might ariſe and ſpread, without any *artful* endeavour to *circulate* it. Will not this gentleman agree, that ſuch an opinion has prevailed in relation to his own pamphlet? If ſo, why not in relation to our *Journal?* But does he know, that any perſon, ſuppoſed to be originally concerned in it, ever promoted the *circulation* of this opinion? Did ever any of them affirm in diſcourſe, much leſs in print, as he has done of his own off-ſpring, that it *had been father'd on ſome of the moſt eminent names in the kingdom?*

'And was tim'd ſo critically, in the heat of the *Dun-* 'ciad controverſy, as made that opinion ſeem plauſible 'at leaſt.'—— This hiſtorian, tho' pethaps deeply concerned in that controverſy, has forgotten, that *the heat* of it was over, by the publication of ſeveral editions of the *Dunciad*, and the ſuppreſſion of the pieces againſt Mr. POPE for want of buyers, long before the *Grub-ſtreet Journal* appeared. And he likewiſe forgets, that if this whole allegation be true, it is very much to the advantage of our Paper.

'If it had not been for theſe circumſtances in its 'favour.' [Juſt now, it *ow'd its whole proſpect of ſucceſs to* one circumſtance only, viz. the *opinion artfully circulated*; here its ſucceſs is aſcribed to two circumſtances, neither of which was true.] 'We may boldly determine by 'its preſent character, and the reception it every where 'meets with,' [could he have ſayed *the reception it* no *where meets with*, it had been ſtronger] 'that it had ne-'ver been regarded at all,' [tho' he owns it is much read, and conſequently *regarded* now] 'but had periſhed as 'irretrievably at firſt, as it muſt now unavoidably do, 'as ſoon as the attention of the publick is ſufficiently 'awaken'd in favour of any thing elſe in its room.' [*It muſt unavoidably periſh* now, *as ſoon as* hereafter *the attention*, &c. Good Iriſh!] The whole force of the reaſoning in this paragraph is, that ſuppoſing our Paper to be dull now, it was certainly ſo four years ago.

'Nothing could have kept it alive ſo long, but the 'meer love of ſcandal, on which frailty it has hitherto 'ſubſiſted' [If this be true, as this *frailty*, the *love of ſcandal* is likely to continue, our *Journal* is very likely to be *kept alive* and to *ſubſiſt* a long time, contrary to the preceding prophecy.] 'and the hope of 'ſomething malicious one week, to make amends for the 'dulneſs of another.' [This is pretty favourable, *dull* only each other week: if this continue to be the caſe, it will make a tolerable figure among its weekly brethren.] —— But having not room for any more tranſcribed *dullneſs* this week, we muſt deferr the remainder of this hiſtory till another; being mindful however, that *ſomething malicious* will be expected by our readers the next. This gentleman, and his fraternity, will no doubt think our next *Journal* ſuch; which yet will proceed from our benevolence towards the Painters in general, and ſignior AMICONE in particular; who has been, as we imagine, maliciouſly, and, we are certain, very ignorantly, traduced by this man of taſte.

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MÆVIUS.

FOREIGN NEWS.

TUESDAY, *June* 4. The French have ſtorm'd Philipsburgh Scantz, but were repulſed with the loſs of 2000 kill'd, and 40 waggons load wounded. The Count de Belle—Iſle was mortally wounded. *GE.* —— The Prince de Lixen and the Marquiſs de Silli have been killed by a cannon ball from Philipsburgh; and the Count Plelo the French ambaſſador, by a ſhot from the Ruſſians before Dantszick. *SJ. LE.*

WEDNESDAY, *June*, 6. Late laſt night arrived the mail from France. The trenches before Philipsburgh were opened in the night between the 2d and 3d inſt. N. S. On the 25th paſt, the Count de Montemar entirely defeated the troops under the late Vice-roy Count Viſconti, to the number of 9400 men in the kingdom of Naples. *C.* &c. —— The Germans loſt all their baggage, artillery, and ammunition. —— The Imperial army having attempted to penetrate into Parma, their firſt column was attack'd by Monſ. de Coigny near Colorno, where, after a ſmart engagement, the Germans having therein loſt 1200 men were obliged to retreat with precipitation. *DA.*

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